

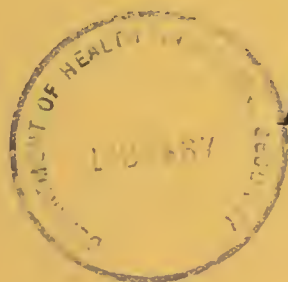
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Mr. Chairman and Members,

I herewith present the Annual Report for the year 1968.

The estimated mid-year population again shows an increase over the previous year's figure, being 15,250 as against 14,740 for 1967.

The live birth rate of 22·22 per 1,000 population shows a rise from last year's figure of 21·03 and the death rate per 1,000 living is 9·18 as compared with 5·97 for the previous year.

There were no maternal deaths during the year, but three deaths were ascribed to Carcinoma of the lung.

Measles, troublesome because of its complications, can now be prevented by a vaccine, introduced during the year. Notifications were 165 as against 336 for 1967. However notifications of this disease have always been subject to large variation and have previously been below the current year's figure.

There were no cases of Paratyphoid.

The Ministry of Health passed regulation to make infective jaundice notifiable as from 15th June, 1968. Four cases were notified to the year end.

Later in the year, the Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations came into force. These Regulations, among other provisions, amended the list of notifiable diseases.

It is of interest that a case of infestation by *Taenia Saginata*, the beef tapeworm, was reported. The meat concerned was consumed outside the District, but the case underlines the need for thorough cooking of meat.

The Ministry of Health was dissolved in the Autumn and all its functions, together with those of the Ministry of Social Security, transferred to a new Department of Health and Social Security.

One of the last Circulars issued by the Ministry of Health concerned the problem of dogs and food shops. The Circular recommended that food traders display a notice, signed by the

Medical Officer of Health, requesting customers not to bring dogs into the premises. This practice has been the custom in Dronfield for some years.

The Family Planning Association provide a Clinic at the County Council Clinic premises in Church Street. Ideally there should be no unplanned pregnancies and those in need of this service are asked to note that the facilities are available.

The development of the District continues to make progress. In September the new Council Offices were opened. These house all Departments and include a new Council Chamber and Committee Room. The opportunity was taken to provide an incinerator for public use and this has proved to be a useful amenity.

Finally, it is a pleasure to acknowledge and thank the Council and Staff for their help and co-operation throughout the year.

DAVID P. ADAMS,

Medical Officer of Health

Public Health Department

Chairman of the Council:

COUNCILLOR J. E. CABORN, J.P.

Vice-Chairman of the Council:

COUNCILLOR N. J. HAMMOND.

Health and Planning Committee:

Chairman:

COUNCILLOR N. J. HAMMOND.

Vice-Chairman:

COUNCILLOR MRS. E. R. BATTY.

Members of the Health and Planning Committee:

COUNCILLORS

J. E. CABORN

R. H. FOSTER

L. P. DRAPER

T. SMITH

G. H. SPEED

Public Health Department Staff:

Medical Officer of Health:

DAVID P. ADAMS, M.B., CH.B., D.P.H.

Public Health Inspector:

ERIC M. HOUSECROFT, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.

Pupil Public Health Inspector:

PETER J. DIXON (Resigned 8th Sept., 1968)

Clerk:

MRS. M. J. SPOTSWOOD

Part-Time Rodent Operator:

MR. W. T. HULATT

Statistics

Area of District		3,457 acres
Population (Registrar General's figure)		15,250
Number of Houses, Flats and Bungalows in the district		5,468
Rateable Value at March, 1968		£512,871
Estimated Product of Penny Rate for the Year ending March, 1968		£2,029
LIVE BIRTHS	<i>M</i>	<i>F</i>
Total	185	154
Legitimate	176	151
Illegitimate	9	3
Rate per 1000 Population		22·22
Illegitimate Live Births per cent of Total Live Births		3·87
STILL BIRTHS		
Total	2	—
Legitimate	2	—
Illegitimate	—	—
Rate per 1000 Total Live and Still Births		5·86
TOTAL LIVE and STILL BIRTHS		341
INFANT DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR		
Total	4	1
Legitimate	3	1
Illegitimate	1	—
INFANT MORTALITY RATES		
Total Infant Deaths per 1000 Total Live Births		14·74
Legitimate Infant Deaths per 1000 Legitimate Live Births		12·23
Illegitimate Infant Deaths per 1000 Illegitimate Live Births		83·33
NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE (Deaths under four weeks per 1000 Total Live Births)		11·8
EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY RATE (Deaths under one week per 1000 Total Live Births)		11·8
PERINATAL MORTALITY RATE (Stillbirths and Deaths under one week combined per 1000 Total Live and Stillbirths)		17·88
MATERNAL MORTALITY RATE (Including abortion) per 1000 Live and Stillbirths		—
DEATH RATE per 1000 LIVING		9·18
DEATHS from MEASLES, ALL AGES		—
DEATHS from WHOOPING COUGH, ALL AGES		—

Deaths in Age Groups, 1968

Age	Males	Females	Total
Under 4 weeks	3	1	4
4 weeks and under 1 year	1	—	1
1 — 4 years	—	—	—
5 — 14 years	1	1	2
15 — 24 years	—	3	3
25 — 34 years	2	1	3
35 — 44 years	1	2	3
45 — 54 years	1	4	5
55 — 64 years	15	5	20
65 — 74 years	28	18	46
75 years and over	23	30	53
TOTAL	<u>75</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>140</u>

Causes of Death

in the Dronfield District during 1968

	Males	Females	Total
Malignant Neoplasm — Stomach	—	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm — Lung, Bronchus	3	—	3
Malignant Neoplasm — Breast	—	6	6
Malignant Neoplasm — Uterus	—	1	1
Leukaemia	1	—	1
Other Malignant Neoplasms, etc.	7	9	16
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms	—	1	1
Diabetes Mellitus	—	1	1
Anaemias	—	1	1
Other Diseases of Nervous System, etc.	—	1	1
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	—	1	1
Hypertensive Disease	2	1	3
Ischaemic Heart Disease	19	10	29
Other Forms of Heart Disease	4	3	7
Cerebrovascular Disease	10	9	19
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	4	4	8
Influenza	1	—	1
Pneumonia	5	5	10
Bronchitis and Emphysema	5	1	6
Other Diseases of the Respiratory System	1	—	1
Cirrhosis of Liver	1	—	1
Other Diseases of Digestive System	—	1	1
Hyperplasia of Prostate	1	—	1
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	—	1	1
Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	1	1	2
Congenital Anomalies	3	2	5
Birth injury, difficult labour, etc.	1	—	1
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	1	1	2
Motor Vehicle Accidents	2	1	3
All Other Accidents	2	3	5
Suicide and Self Inflicted Injuries	1	—	1
TOTAL	<u>75</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>140</u>

Infectious Diseases, 1968

	Total Number Notified	Cases Admitted to Hospital
Measles	165	—
Dysentery	—	—
Scarlet Fever	21	—
Whooping Cough	2	—
Infective Jaundice	4	—
Tuberculosis	—	—
Diphtheria	—	—
Tetanus	—	—
Acute Meningitis	—	—
Acute Encephalitis	—	—
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	—	—
Acute Poliomyelitis	—	—
Laptonspirosis	—	—
Paratyphoid	—	—
Typhoid Fever	—	—
Food Poisoning	1	—
Malaria	—	—

National Health Service Act, 1946 Immunisation Against Diphtheria

The number of persons immunised against Diphtheria in the Urban District during 1968, is as follows :—

Primary immunisations 289 Booster injections 410

Tuberculosis Return for 1968

Age Period in years	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non- Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non- Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Total all ages	NIL		NIL		NIL		NIL	

Treatment Centre, Poolsbrook

SCABIES

	Adults	5 - 15	Under 5	Total
Bolsover U.D.C.	—	—	—	—
Chesterfield R.D.C.	14	12	7	33
Clay Cross U.D.C.	—	—	—	—
Clown R.D.C.	13	16	14	43
Dronfield U.D.C.	—	—	—	—
Staveley U.D.C.	2	2	2	6
	—	—	—	—
	29	30	23	82
	—	—	—	—

HEAD LICE

Bolsover U.D.C.	—	—	—	—
Chesterfield R.D.C.	1	—	—	1
Clay Cross U.D.C.	—	—	—	—
Clowne R.D.C.	—	—	—	—
Dronfield U.D.C.	—	—	—	—
Staveley U.D.C.	—	—	—	—
	—	—	—	—
	1	—	—	1
	—	—	—	—

SCABIES with VERMINOUS HEADS

Bolsover U.D.C.	—	—	—	—
Chesterfield R.D.C.	—	—	—	—
Clay Cross U.D.C.	—	—	—	—
Clowne R.D.C.	—	—	—	—
Dronfield U.D.C.	—	—	—	—
Staveley U.D.C.	—	—	—	—
	—	—	—	—
	—	—	—	—
	—	—	—	—

Diagnosis not confirmed —
 Miscellaneous —
 Pediculosis Corporis —
 Pediculosis Pubis —

North Derbyshire Water Board

Report to Medical Officer of Health on the Water Supply to Dronfield Urban District Year 1968

The supplying authority to the area is the North Derbyshire Water Board. The treatment plants at Barbrook and Smeekley provide the source of water to the area. Treatment involves metal removal and chlorination.

Distribution is from covered reservoirs.

The resultant quality of the supplied waters is generally satisfactory.

The quantity proved adequate for normal household purposes.

Chemical and bacteriological analyses are carried out in the Board's laboratories. All raw, treated and distributed waters are examined at least monthly. The number of examinations involved in 1968 being :—

Bacteriological 235 Chemical 103

Bacteriological results on treated waters have been consistent with standards laid down by the Ministry of Health. Chemical results in view of the number of water sources involved vary considerably with location, and approximate extremes of variation are :—

pH	7.0	9.5
Alkalinity (CaCO ₃)	10	220 mg/l
Hardness (CaCO ₃)	50	180 mg/l
Chloride (Cl.)	11	15 mg/l
Fluoride (F.)	0.1	0.4 mg/l

The treated waters in the area have given rise to no concern on the grounds of plumbo solvency, and analyses on the supply water at source, in distribution and after overnight standing in lead service pipes have yielded figures within the recently revised acceptable lead concentration.

The number of houses connected during the year was 319. Construction of a 1 M.G. storage reservoir to regulate supplies to the Gosforth Valley area was commenced in May and is now nearing completion.

3,233 yards of main were laid for housing developments.

Before being brought into service all newly laid mains were washed out, sterilized and samples examined to ensure satisfactory bacteriological and physical results were obtained.

No action was necessary in respect of any other form of post treatment contamination.

The waters were monitored to detect any excessive amounts of radioactive substances.

Monthly reports of current bacteriological and physical results were forwarded to the Medical Officer of Health.

Home Safety Committee

The Home Safety Committee inaugurated in February, 1966 had another successful and pleasant working year.

The two councillors elected to the Committee for the year were Mrs. E. R. Batty and Mrs. B. Lees.

In January, 1968 a talk was given by one Member of the Committee who attends on behalf of the East Midlands Gas Board and he enlightened the Members on many topics concerning gas supplies, the maintenance of gas appliances and the need for care in using : keeping cookers clean and not allowing cloths to drop down the back and block the ventilation space, etc.

Mr. H. Seddons was elected Chairman at the May Meeting, he represents the A.E.U. for the District : he is a very enthusiastic Member and attends to the fixing and maintenance of flashing lights in elderly people's houses on the south and south-west side of Dronfield. A gentleman of seventy years fixes and maintains the flashing lights for the remainder of the town, he also carries out adaptations where necessary—but I would inform you that he is a retired G.P.O. Engineer.

We had a talk at our July Meeting by our Medical Officer of Health, Dr. D. P. Adams, which he illustrated with coloured slides, on "Poisonous Berries and Fungi". We learned quite a lot from the Doctor's talk, even some of our common garden plants and flowering trees may be a source of danger if their fruits are eaten by children. On country walks too, children must be guarded against eating berries (unless parents or guardians say they are edible) buttercups, laburnum pods, etc.

It was decided to carry out the theme of this talk on Gala Day with posters of "Poisonous Berries and Fungi" decorating the vehicle along with trees and a young girl attempting to pluck berries from a tree. A text on the side of the vehicle pointed out the danger of eating tree berries.

Later on the Committee prepared for Schools Essay Competitions in the District on Safety in the Home, in the garden and whilst at play. The children worked very well in their tests and 260 out of 270 obtained certificates. A competition for adults was also held, choosing from a list of 20, twelve good ideas for the promotion of safety in the home.

At our November Meeting a talk on "Resuscitation" with a demonstration on a model, was given by a Member of St. John Ambulance Brigade.

Most Members attended regularly and conveyed hints given by the speakers to their individual groups.

Sewage and Sewage Disposal

I wish to thank the Engineer and Surveyor for the following report :—

During the year the extensions to the main Sewage Disposal Works, off Chesterfield Road, were completed, as was also the construction of a Pumping Station at Wreakes Lane to replace the obsolete Bowshaw Sewage Plant.

In addition, under this same Contract, the obsolete sewer running from the rear of the Congregational Church on Lea Road to Farwater Lane has also been relaid.

During the year various Developers throughout the District have laid the necessary sewers to serve their private developments.

Dronfield Urban District Council Annual Report

of the

Public Health Inspector

Eric M. Housecroft, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.,

for the year ending 31st December, 1968

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

My annual report for the calendar year 1968 is set out below :—

In this section it is not my intention to give a resumé of the report, each section has a few words of explanation or appeal and I trust this will make more interesting reading than by having all comments on this page whereby one has to search through the pages to find the item to which a particular paragraph applies.

My anticipated rush of work on our No. 4 Smoke Control Order more than materialised and with the resignation of the Pupil Public Health Inspector in September, 1968 the work load became impossible and routine visits which are an essential part of the inspectoral duties almost ceased.

Housing Act, 1957

Slum Clearance

The following list shows the premises dealt with and action taken during the year 1968 :-

6 and 8 Salisbury Road, Dronfield.

Demolition Order made on 18th March, 1968.

34 and 35 Mill Lane, Dronfield.

Represented as unfit for human habitation on 12th February, 1968. Undertaking given by the owner that the premises will not be let for human habitation until made fit. Undertaking accepted by Committee.

65 and 66 Sheffield Road, Dronfield.

Represented as unfit for human habitation on 10th June, 1968

Demolition Order made on 29th July, 1968.

42 and 44 Sheffield Road, Dronfield

Represented as unfit for human habitation on 29th July, 1968

Demolition Order made on 14th October, 1968.

New Firthwood Cottage, Callywhite Lane, Dronfield.

Represented as unfit for human habitation on 2nd December, 1968.

The following 35 dwellings were demolished during the year 1968 :-

35, 37, 39 and 41 Eckington Road, Coal Aston.

8 and 8A Church Street, Dronfield.

32, 32A and 32B Salisbury Road, Dronfield.

3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23 and 25 Hartington Road, Dronfield.

12, 14, 16, 18, 20 and 22 Fanshaw Road, Dronfield.

117 Carr Lane, Dronfield Woodhouse.

30 Hill Top Road, Dronfield.

6 and 8 Salisbury Road, Dronfield.

42 and 44 Sheffield Road, Dronfield.

Rookery Cottage, High Street, Dronfield. By owner on own initiative.

219 Holmley Lane, Dronfield. By Derbyshire County Council for road widening.

New Housing

By the end of 1968 the number of dwellings in this area was 5,468, of those 3,914 have all been built since 1945. In other words more than two thirds of the domestic dwellings are post war—this I think is a record which few other places can achieve (new towns excepted).

The annual building schedule since 1946 is set out below :-

Year		Local Authority	Private Enterprise Housing
1946	..	50	19
1947	..	76	31
1948	..	99	12
1949	..	49	15
1950	..	6	10
1951	..	24	6
1952	..	40	8
1953	..	4	43
1954	..	28	53
1955	..	44	129
1956	..	10	193
1957	..	64	181
1958	..	—	217
1959	..	10	238
1960	..	88	225
1961	..	68	225
1962	..	48	183
1963	..	—	94
1964	..	24	196
1965	..	70	190
1966	..	28	178
1967	..	142	241
1968	..	37	218
		1009	2905

Improvement Grants

The following is a detailed list of applications received during the year :—

STANDARD GRANTS :—

- 38 Salisbury Road, Dronfield.
- 34 Wilson Road, Coal Aston.
- 23 Alexandra Road, Dronfield.
- 26 Cecil Road, Dronfield.
- 42 Alexandra Road, Dronfield.

44 Hallows Lane, Dronfield.
41 Hartington Road, Dronfield.
60 Fanshaw Road, Dronfield.
79 Eckington Road, Coal Aston.
179A Stubley Lane, Dronfield.
The Cottage, Dyche Lane, Coal Aston.
52 Fanshaw Road, Dronfield.
40 Hallows Lane, Dronfield.
80 Carr Lane, Dronfield.
50 Hallows Lane, Dronfield.
The Cottage, Cross Lane, Coal Aston.

DISCRETIONARY GRANTS :—

1 Summerfield Road, Dronfield.
Summerwood Cottage, Summerwood, Dronfield.
Whitethorns, Dyche Lane, Coal Aston.

Sixteen applications for Standard Grants were received, the same number of applications as for 1967, and three applications for Discretionary Grants—a total of nineteen. This is far from being satisfactory, there are a considerable number of premises in the District which would attract grants but landlords seem to be very reluctant to take up grants, only four of the nineteen applications came from landlords and unfortunately one of these had to be refused because of future road widening proposals.

When one considers that an improvement grant will prolong the life of a property by at least fifteen years the lack of interest is difficult to understand.

Rent Act, 1957

There was no action found necessary or taken during the year under review.

Clean Air Act, 1956

Smoke Control Areas

Work on this project continued throughout the year. The Dronfield Urban District (No. 3) Smoke Control Order, 1966 became operative on 1st September, 1968, few real problems were met.

The Dronfield Urban District (No. 4) Smoke Control Order, 1968 was made by the Council on 18th March, 1968 and confirmed on 6th June, 1968—the operative date to be 1st September, 1969. This area is approximately 820 acres with 756 dwellings.

The preliminary work for the No. 5 area was put in hand towards the end of the year.

Polution Recording

We are still maintaining two deposit gauges and two sulphur

candles on the same sites as previous years. Total deposits continue to show a reduction but a slight increase in the average monthly figure for sulphur is revealed after an almost continuous decline since 1959.

Rainfall was again rather high.

Readings for the year 1968 are as follows :—

LEA ROAD, DRONFIELD.

1968	Soot Deposit Tons per sq. mile	pH value	mg of SO ₃ day per 100 sq. cms. of Pb O ₂	Rainfall in inches
January	10.590	4.7	0.93	2.05
February	9.686	4.6	1.39	1.54
March	10.974	6.1	1.48	1.86
April	11.02	5.4	0.79	2.40
May	12.06	5.1	0.71	3.00
June	8.65	6.2	0.44	2.17
July	7.32	4.4	0.52	4.50
August	7.590	5.9	0.61	1.80
September	12.121	4.7	0.40	4.96
October	7.626	5.5	0.37	2.17
November	9.53	4.6	1.10	3.20
December	12.493	4.5	1.29	1.55
TOTAL	119.660	61.7	10.03	31.20
Monthly Average	9.97	5.14	0.84	2.60

CALLYWHITE LANE, DRONFIELD.

1968	Soot Deposit Tons per sq. mile	pH value	mg of SO ₃ day per 100 sq. cms. of Pb O ₂	Rainfall in inches
January	5.67	3.9	1.30	2.06
February	6.206	4.2	1.39	1.41
March	8.742	5.2	0.84	1.24
April	6.57	4.8	0.89	1.5
May	7.38	4.7	0.76	2.7
June	3.37	7.5	0.56	3.10
July	8.190	4.3	0.63	5.10
August	6.390	5.4	0.65	1.50
September	10.385	4.6	0.57	4.96
October	5.177	5.4	0.63	2.17
November	7.45	4.3	2.20	3.20
December	6.479	4.2	1.36	1.55
TOTAL	82.009	58.5	11.78	30.49
Monthly Average	6.83	4.88	0.98	2.54

The following table shows the complete yearly figures for the two sets of instruments :—

LEA ROAD, DRONFIELD

YEAR	Deposit Tons per sq. mile	Monthly Average	mg. of SO ₃ day per 100 sq. cm. of Pb.O ₂ Monthly Average	Total Rainfall	Monthly Average Rainfall
1959	146·86	12·238	1·305	21·99	1·332
1960	150·73	12·56	1·574	33·92	2·82
1961	119·04	10·82	1·07	27·07	2·26
	(11 mths. only)				
1962	133·27	11·106	1·185	23·99	2·00
1963	138·55	11·545	1·243	26·19	2·168
1964	138·20	11·516	1·141	22·68	1·89
1965	129·00	11·73	0·95	31·16	2·83
	(11 mths. only)			(11 mths. only)	
1966	131·46	10·955	0·856	35·83	2·985
1967	121·39	10·12	0·69	30·13	2·51
1968	119·66	9·97	0·84	31·20	2·60

CALLYWHITE LANE, DRONFIELD

YEAR	Deposit Tons per sq. mile	Monthly Average	mg. of SO ₃ day per 100 sq. cm. of Pb.O ₂ Monthly Average	Total Rainfall	Monthly Average Rainfall
1959	145·75	12·146	1·17	21·77	1·82
1960	112·99	9·42	1·48	36·96	3·08
1961	97·59	8·872	1·27	26·45	2·20
	(11 mths. only)				
1962	100·18	8·35	1·12	23·35	1·945
1963	88·12	9·791	1·129	16·40	1·82
	(9 mths. only)			(9 mths. only)	
1964	90·06	8·187	1·127	19·41	1·764
	(11 mths. only)			(11 mths only)	
1965	122·78	12·28	1·09	28·66	2·87
	(10 mths. only)			(10 mths. only)	
1966	116·48	9·707	0·991	34·43	2·87
1967	87·05	7·91	0·92	26·84	2·44
	(11 mths. only)			(11 mths. only)	
1968	82·009	6·83	0·98	30·49	2·54

Slaughter of Animals Act, 1958

The following persons were licenced to slaughter or stun animals in a Slaughterhouse or Knacker's Yard for the year ended 31st December, 1968 :—

William Cartledge.
Donald James Fisher.

Food and Drugs Act, 1955

Routine inspection of food premises were carried out and the general standard of cleanliness is satisfactory—at one or two places though it is becoming apparent that talks and discussions are soon forgotten and it may become necessary to recommend Court action as the only alternative method of driving home food hygiene laws in these cases.

The following foodstuffs were found to be unfit for human consumption and were destroyed :—

1 lb. Box Chocolate Liqueurs—old stock

1¼ oz. Packet Nuts—metal washer

Three chickens—decomposed

Chocolate Milk Drops—small maggot

Jar Baby Food—decomposed

14 lb. Tongue—decomposed

Bar Whole Nut Chocolate—small maggot

14 Cases Tomato Juice—unfit

34 Packets Frozen Cod steaks

44 " " Beefburgers

35 " " Peas

13 " " Beans

3 " " Sprouts

5 " " Plaice

1 Cream Sponge

16 Packets Frozen Broccoli

25 " " Fish Fingers

6 " " Spinach

Tin Apricot Halves—part earwig

Tin Chopped Pork—decomposed

Jar Apricot Jam—piece of glass

Metal Staple in Loaf

12—14 lb. Tins Pork Luncheon Meat—decomposed

} Defective Refrigerator

Ice Cream

The following premises were registered for the sale and/or storage of prepacked ice cream :—

49 Barnard Avenue, Coal Aston.

Food and Milk Sampling

I am indebted to Mr. J. Markland, B.Sc., F.R.I.C., County Analyst and to Dr. J. B. S. Morgan, County Medical Officer of Health, who have supplied the information regarding (a) Food Samples and (b) Milk Samples taken in the Dronfield area by County Sampling Officers.

- (a) 39 Samples including 14 Milk Samples were taken in the Dronfield area during the year 1968. The Milk samples were satisfactory. Canned Corned Beef was deficient in meat and Canned Beans in Tomato Sauce contained excess tin. No further stocks of these products were available for formal sampling. Canned Red Cherries contained a non-permitted colouring matter and the importer was cautioned.

Milk (Special Designation) Regulations 1963

- (b) Sample results for the year 1968 :—

Untreated Milk

Methylene Blue		Biological	
Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
—	—	—	—

Pasteurised Milk

Methylene Blue		Phosphatase	
Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
14	—	14	—

Sterilised Milk

Turbidity	
Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
—	—

Total number of samples 14

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations 1960

Number of premises covered by the above	..	..	..	56
Number of premises which comply with Regulation 16	..	..	..	56
Number of premises covered by Regulation 19	..	..	..	56
Number of premises which comply with Regulation 19	..	..	..	56

Petroleum (Regulation) Acts, 1928 and 1936

Licences under the above Acts were granted for the storage of Petroleum Spirit as follows :—

	Gallons
Banner Plant Limited (Amended to 1,000 gallons in June, 1968)	500
Burnett & Hallamshire Fuel Limited	500
Derbyshire County Council	1000
Dronfield Urban District Council	500
Wm. Gunstone & Sons Limited	4000
Woodleigh Motor Sales (John W. Elliott)	6000
Dronfield Service Station	9000
Wm. Outram & Sons Limited	1000
P. & V. (Mining & Engineering) Limited	1000
Tarmac Limited	2000
Slater Bros. (Dronfield) Limited (in cans)	300
Slater Bros. (Dronfield) Limited	1000
Sheaf Motors of Coal Aston Limited	6000
Coach and Horses Garage (Wood and Horsfield)	2000
Howson's Neon Signs Limited	500
Graphoidal Developments Limited	500
Stubley Garage Limited	9000
Walker & Carson Limited	500
Wm. Lee & Sons (Malleable) Limited (in cans)	100
Dronfield and District Joint Burial Committee (in cans)	10
James Childs & Sons Limited	500
Total	46,410

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

Our rodent service continues to operate very satisfactorily—very few reports being more than forty-eight hours before attention is given to them.

All Local Authority premises (including the refuse tip) are visited at least once every three months and all the farms in the area were visited in the Spring and late Autumn. Public sewers are still not completely free from rats, two areas still have small infestations.

Seventy-eight reports of rats and thirty-five of mice were investigated and the necessary treatment given.

The complaints in respect of mice increased considerably—and this was found to be due in the main to neglect when the houses were being built—waste bread, etc. is very often thrown about and is an attraction to vermin—the new householder moves in and in a very short time we are receiving reports of mice in the house. Efforts have been made to discourage food waste being left about on the building sites.

Wasp Nests

During the Summer season the wasps were again active—25 wasp nests and two bees nests were destroyed—bees are only destroyed where they are causing a nuisance to householders or passers by.

Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963

One licence in respect of cats only was renewed under the above Act to Mrs. B. J. Windle, The Cottage, Mickley Lane, Dronfield Woodhouse—this licence expires on 31st December, 1968

Pet Animals Act, 1951

One application was received and approved for the issue of a licence for a Pet Shop at 10 Sheffield Road, Dronfield—this licence expires on 31st December, 1968.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963

The following table shows the position relative to registrations at 31st December, 1968 :—

Class of Premises	Number of premises newly registered during the Year	Total number of registered premises at end of Year	Number of registered premises receiving one or more general inspections during the Year
Offices	2	23	5
Retail Shops	3	46	40
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	—	1	1
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	—	4	3
Fuel Storage Depots	—	—	—

Number of visits of all kinds made to registered premises . . . 104

NUMBER OF PERSONS EMPLOYED

Class of Premises	Total
Offices	170
Retail Shops	191
Wholesale departments, Warehouses	9
Catering establishments open to the public	20
Canteens	—
Fuel storage depots	—
TOTAL	390

Males 178

Females 212

Factories Act 1961

1. Inspections for purposes as to health (including inspection by the Public Health Inspector) :—

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Inspections (3)	Number of Written Notice (4)	Occupiers Prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which section 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	—	—	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	65	28	11	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) ..	6	11	3	—
TOTAL	71	39	14	—

Factories Act, 1961

2. Cases in which defects were found :—

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	to H.M. Inspector (4)	Referred by H.M. Inspector (5)	Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
Want of Cleanliness (S1)	1	1	—	—	—
Overcrowding (S2)	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable Temperature (S3)	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate Ventilation (S4)	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of floors (S6)	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S7)	—	—	—	—	—
(a) Insufficient	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective	10	10	—	—	—
(c) Not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—	—
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	—	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	11	11	—	—	—

Factories Act 1961

Part VIII

Nature of Work	Section 133				Section 134	
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 133 (1) (c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)	Prosecutions (7)
(1)						
Wearing apparel	—	—	—	—	—	—
Making, etc. Cleaning and Washing	—	—	—	—	—	—

Record of Visits During 1968

Accumulations	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Alterations to Existing Property	..	..	..	..	..	..	22
Animal Boarding Establishments	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Bakehouses and Food Premises	..	..	..	..	..	..	163
Cesspools	..	..	..	..	..	..	31
Choked Drains	..	..	..	..	..	..	202
Choked Sewers	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
Choked W.C.'s	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Clean Air Act, 1956	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,269
New W.C.'s	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
Defective Drains	..	..	..	..	..	..	42
Drains Tested	..	..	..	..	..	..	57
New Drains	..	..	..	..	..	..	65
Dustbins	..	..	..	..	..	..	208
Factories	..	..	..	..	..	..	28
Housing Act, 1957	..	..	..	..	..	..	66
Housing Defects General	..	..	..	..	..	..	71
Ice Cream	..	..	..	..	..	..	21
Infectious Diseases and Food Poisoning	..	..	..	..	..	..	52
Improvement Grants	..	..	..	..	..	..	95
Interviews with Builders	..	..	..	..	..	..	21
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	..	..	..	43
Nuisances from Poultry, Dyke, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Noise Abatement	..	..	..	..	..	..	22
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act	..	..	..	..	..	..	104
Offensive Smells	..	..	..	..	..	..	21
Pail Closets	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Pet Shops	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Petroleum Licences	..	..	..	..	..	..	41
Public Conveniences	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Infestations—flies, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	7
Hairdressing Establishments	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Complaints from Public regarding Foodstuffs	..	..	..	..	..	..	11
W.C. Defects	..	..	..	..	..	..	21
Defective Wastepipes	..	..	..	..	..	..	16
Water Samples	..	..	..	..	..	..	20
Water Supplies	..	..	..	..	..	..	13

Work Carried Out During the Year 1968

Accumulations Removed	..	..	..	..	..	4
Burst Water Pipes Repaired	..	..	..	..	..	7
Ceiling Plaster Repaired	..	..	..	..	..	2
Choked Drains Cleared	..	..	..	..	..	71
Number of Premises Affected	..	..	..	..	..	191
Defective Drains Repaired	..	..	..	..	..	15
House Roofs Repaired	..	..	..	..	..	9
House Doors Repaired	..	..	..	..	..	2
House Floors Repaired	..	..	..	..	..	13
House Paths Repaired	..	..	..	..	..	2
New Bathrooms and Baths	..	..	1 Shower			17
New Drains Tested and Laid	..	..	4" (1126 ft)			34
New Drains Tested and Laid	..	..	6" (82 ft.)			4
New Dustbins Supplied	..	..	..	..	..	344
Eaves Spouts Repaired	..	..	..	.. (48 ft)		
Inspection Chambers—New or Repaired	..	..	..			32
Rainwater Pipes Renewed or Repaired	..		(26 ft.)			
New Sinks	..	..	..	..	..	7
New Trapped Gullies	..	..	..	..	..	16
Waste Pipes Repaired	..	..	..	..	..	7
Wash Hand Basins, New	..	..	..	..	..	17
W.C.'s, New	..	..	..	..	..	24
W.C.'s, Repaired	..	..	..	..	..	9
Soil Pipes, New	..	..	..	(347 ft.)		
Ventilation Pipes, New	..	..	..	(228 ft.)		
Wallplaster Repaired	..	..	..	..	..	8
Hot Water Systems, New	..	..	..	..	..	16
House Windows Repaired or Renewed	..	..	..	..	..	21
Wasp Nests Destroyed	..	..	..	..	..	25
Cesspools disused	..	..	..	..	..	7
Rising and Penetrative Dampness	..	..	..	..	..	11
Ventilated Food Stores	..	..	..	..	..	9
Water Samples	..	..	..	..	..	12
Water Supplies Improved	..	..	..	..	..	2

